

**MINUTES OF THE
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2009

At a meeting of the **Planning and Economic Development Committee**, held Thursday, December 10, 2009, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Bruley-Co-Chair, Carabelli-Co-Chair, Accavitti, Brown, D. Flynn, Mijac, Mocerri and Vosburg.

Absent and excused was Duzyj.

Other Commissioners Also Present:

Commissioner Brdak
Commissioner Lampar

There being a quorum of the committee present, Co-Chair Carabelli called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Accavitti, supported by Vosburg, to adopt the agenda, as presented. **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Accavitti, to approve the November 4, 2009 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Report on Neighborhood Stabilization Program

Mr. Mike Rozny gave an update on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

The following commissioners spoke: Carabelli and Bruley.

MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the report on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program. **The Motion Carried.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A) Report on Sterling Heights Assembly Plant

Mr. Stephen Cassin informed commissioners that Mr. Luke Bonner, Economic Development Manager from the City of Sterling Heights, has the flu and would like to be on the agenda in January. There were no objections.

B) Update on FastTrac to the Future

Mr. Don Morandini gave an update on the FastTrac Program.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the report on the FastTrac Program. **The Motion Carried.**

COMMUNITY PLANNING

A) Update on Countywide Trail Program

Mr. John Crumm gave an update on the Countywide Trail Program. During his verbal presentation, he noted that they are looking to do a bike day in May.

The following commissioner spoke: Carabelli.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the report on the Countywide Trail Master Plan. **The Motion Carried.**

B) Report on 2010 University of Michigan Student Projects

Two handouts were distributed.

Mr. JohnPaul Rea gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled "University of Michigan U.P. 505 Student Practicum Projects."

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by D. Flynn, to receive and file the report on the 2010 University of Michigan Urban Planning Student Projects. **The Motion Carried.**

ENVIRONMENTAL

- Schedule Brownfield Public Hearing for Chesterfield Towne Center

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MIJAC, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENT ON THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE MACOMB COUNTY BROWNFIELD PLAN FOR CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP, UNDER THE MACOMB COUNTY BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, SUBJECT TO THE MACOMB COUNTY BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RECEIVING THE CONCURRENCE OR APPROVAL OF THE CHESTERFIELD TOWNE CENTER BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT PLAN PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

MARKETING & PROMOTION

- Report and Distribution of Macomb "Chinese" Brochures

A copy of the booklet was distributed.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by D. Flynn, to receive and file the report on Macomb County Chinese Brochures.

Ms. Maria Zardis held up the booklet which is the newest piece developed by the Planning and Economic Development Department. The booklet recently traveled with the Macomb Community Economic Partnership on the trip to China.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Mijac, Brown and Bruley.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

TOURISM

- No Report

Co-Chair Carabelli moved on to the next agenda item.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Update on Departmental Staffing

Mr. Cassin gave a brief update on his departmental staffing.

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mijac, to receive and file the update on departmental staffing. **The Motion Carried.**

REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

- Resolution of Support for Resource Conservation and Development Council

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY D. FLYNN, SUPPORTED BY BROWN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION FOR OFFICIAL DESIGNATION OF THE SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AREA FOR PROGRAM ASSISTANCE FROM USDA. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

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| • January 13 | Starting a Business |
| • January 14 | Financing Roundtable |
| • January 20 | Business Legal Issues |
| • February 10 | Fundamentals of Starting a Business |
| • February 17 | Writing a Business Plan |
| • Spring 2010 | Automation Alley – Global Trade Education Program |

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the report on upcoming events.

Mr. Cassin reminded commissioners of the economic development event at lunchtime today on Investing in Community. He then named the guest speakers.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Vosburg, to adjourn the meeting at 10:39 a.m.
The Motion Carried.

Denise M. Jacks
Committee Reporter